

SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR ADDRESSING DENIAL OF SERVICE

VIRUS ATTACKS

ABSTRACT OF THE INVENTION

A system and method for addressing denial of service attacks directed at a web resource. The method comprises the steps of: receiving messages at the web resource; analyzing each message and determining if the message is improper; storing the source address of a message if the message is improper; responding to a first improper message from an identified source address with an HTTP error response; responding to a few subsequent improper messages from the identified source address with HTTP "OK" response codes; and finally stopping all responses to the identified source address.